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PROPOSED SALES REGULATIONS FOR STATE ROUTE 710 PROPERTIES AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

Los Angeles – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) today announced that the revised proposed Affordable Sales Program regulations are available for review and comment July 1 through August 14, 2015 at 5 p.m. Per the Administrative Procedures Act, these proposed regulations are posted in the California Regulatory Notice Register and on Caltrans' web site: www.dot.ca.gov/regulations.htm.

These regulations will provide guidelines for selling properties that will be declared excess along the State Route 710 corridor. Once completed, final regulations will be submitted to the Office of Administrative Law for approval.

Some of the proposed revisions include:

- Clarified rules for renting a property purchased at an affordable price;
- Detail on types of documents accepted to prove income, tenure, interests and intents;
- Clarification on California Transportation Commission approval of contracts.

Comments can be mailed (Affordable Sales Program, 1120 N Street, MS 37, Sacramento, CA 95814), faxed (916.654.6378) or e-mailed (Affordable Sales Program@dot.ca.gov).

For questions about the regulations: (916) 654-4790. Spanish hotline: (213) 897-8184.

There is also a web site (<u>www.dot.ca.gov/dist07/business/710sales</u>) for questions about the sales process, which will begin after regulations are approved and adopted this fall.

Caltrans has reviewed comments received from interested parties on the proposed regulations since February 27. After extensive review and analysis of comments received during the public input process, Caltrans made revisions to the proposed regulation text with the ultimate goal of keeping affordable housing options available in the community.

Caltrans owns 460 properties related to the SR-710 project in Pasadena, South Pasadena and El Sereno. These will be offered for sale in phases according to when they are declared excess. Historic homes require that an environmental document be prepared to ensure that there no adverse effects to the communities.